GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 334 ANSWERED ON 19TH JULY, 2018

ALLOCATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS

334. SHRIMATI MAUSAM NOOR:

WILL THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS सडक परिवहन और राजमार्ग मंत्री

be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decreased the allocation for the construction of roads and highways in West Bengal and sanctioned only Rs. 153 crore against demand for Rs. 1500 crore submitted by the State Government;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of funds allocated to the West Bengal towards development of highways and roads and bridges between 2015 to 2017;
- (d) whether the Government purposes allocating a special tranche of funds for the development of roads for West Bengal; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

- (a) & (b) Development & maintenance of National Highways is a continuous process. The works for Development & maintenance of National Highways including those in the State of West Bengal are accordingly taken up from time to time as per traffic density, inter-se priority & availability of funds. The allocation of funds for construction of National Highways through State PWD during 2018-19 is Rs. 910 crore against earlier year Rs. 1195 crore.
- (c) The Ministry had allocated Rs. 615 crore and Rs. 1333.62 crore to West Bengal for development of National Highways for the year 2015-16 and 2016-17 respectively.
- (d) &(e) There is no such proposal.
